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NOTICE.

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Colony should apply in person at the
Central Police Station between the hours
of 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. and 2 P.M. to 4 P.M.
daily.
Applicants will be required to produce
ports or identification papers. All
persons, with certain exceptions, who
remain in the Colony for more than
7 days are required to register themselves
under the REGISTRATION OF
PERSONS ORDINANCE 1916. Forms
of registration giving the particulars
required may be obtained at the G.P.O.
and at all Police Stations.
The Penalty for non compliance is a
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INSURANCE CO.
WHICH ARE OWNED THE OWNERS OF
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COMPANY, LTD.,
and
THE RAILWAY PASSENGERS
ASSURANCE CO.
TOTAL FUNDS AT SIXTY DECEMBER, 1914,
£23,970,367.
I—Authorized Capital £6,000,000.
Subscribed Capital £4,500,000.
Paid-up Capital £2,472,500
II—Fire Funds 3,837,047
III—Life & Annuity Funds 17,587,190
Sinking Fund Account 123,230
£23,970,367

Revenue Fire Branch £2,381,456
" Life and Annuity 2,141,593
Branches 337,539
Revenue Marine Department 478,940
Other Receipts 25,839,225

The Accumulative Funds of the various
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Act of Parliament, are set aside to meet
the claims under the respective Depart-
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Agents.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY,
LIMITED.

TIME TABLE

WEEK DAYS
7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
1.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
NIGHT CARS
8.30 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
p.m. every half hour.
11.00 p.m. to 11.45 p.m. every quarter of
an hour.
7.30 a.m. SUNDAYS
8.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
5.30 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
8.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
8.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

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Extra Car at 12 midnight.
SPECIAL CARS by arrangement at the
Company's Office. ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS
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Season and punch tickets available for
all cars not already full running at the
time stated in the Company's time tables,
but not for special cars, can be obtained
on application at the Company's Office.
No season ticket will be issued until
payment therefor has been made in Bank
Notes or by Cheque or Comptrollers order
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Sailings:—To Macao daily at 8 a.m. (Sundays 9 a.m.) and
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Oil Drilling Cables of any size up to 3,000 feet in length

Prices, samples and full particulars will be forwarded on application to
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Hongkong, April 11, 1918.

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(NOW RECONSTRUCTED).

ENGINEERS and SHIPBUILDERS, BOILER-MAKERS, BRASS and IRON
E' POUNDEES. All work done in this establishment is guaranteed. We have
over thirty years' experience. We own two Slipways and can accommodate any craft
over 200 feet long.

Works, Office 45, Connaught Road Central, Hongkong. Telephone No. 480.

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General Managers.

Hongkong, April 1, 1918.

WONG KENG WA, Manager.

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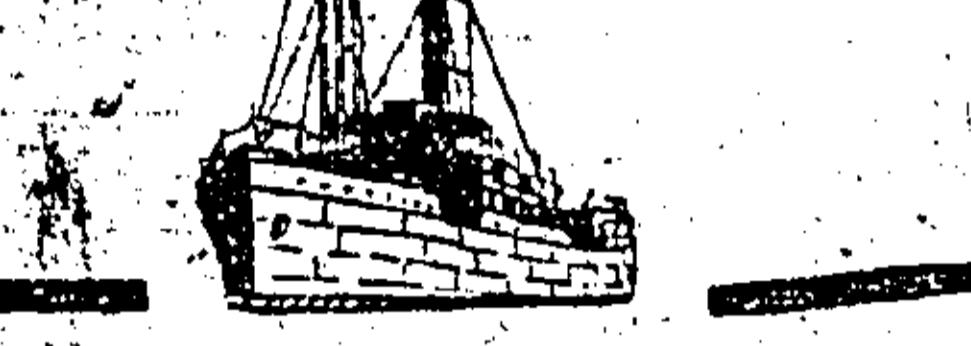
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1,500 Feet above Sea Level.

15 Minutes from Landing Stage.

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Mrs. BLAIR.

THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS

Reuter's Service to the China Mail.

THE AIR-RAID ON
LONDON.

GREAT SATISFACTION AT RESULT
OF RAID.

LONDON, May 20.

All reports confirm that the raiders were everywhere harassed by our airmen and gunners. Searchlights greatly aided our gunners.

At one point, the searchlights showed one of our machines pursuing a Gotha and machine-gun fire was heard in the intervals of the booming of big guns. Then a burst and flame and the Gotha crashed to the ground.

At another place a formation of Gothas was seen under our aeroplanes and machine-gun fire was heard; then a great flash and a Gotha came down spirally, the occupants jumping out before it smashed. It is reported that all of them were killed.

Great satisfaction is felt at this result of the raid, especially after the British raid on Cologne, when our aviators returned scathless.

THE CASUALTIES.

LONDON, May 20.

The Press Bureau states:—

The casualties in Sunday's air-raid on London and district were:

Men. Women. Children.

Killed 17 14 6

Injured 89 49 23

In the provinces none were killed, but two men, three women and one child were injured.

Considerable damage was done to house property.

ALLIED AIR-RAID ON
COLOGNE.

HAVOC AND DESTRUCTION
CAUSED.

25 KILLED AND 47 INJURED.

AMSTERDAM, May 20.

It is reported that 25 were killed and 47 injured in the Allied air-raid on Cologne, cabled on May 19.

The bombs fell mostly in the centre of the city, causing a terrible panic and considerable damage. Several buildings were wrecked.

GERMAN OFFENSIVE.

TIMED TO COMMENCE
IMMEDIATELY.

LONDON, May 20.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, says:—

There was much violent gun-fire at night-time and it continued spasmodically. To-day is one of the dates mentioned, according to trench gossip, as likely to witness the renewal of the German offensive. We shall see.

The dazzling sky is mooning and glowing with our machines.

On Saturday the Australians succeeded in carrying forward our line to Ville-sous-Corbie on a front of two miles.

SEQUEL TO EMPEROR KARL'S
PEACE LETTER DISCUSSIONS.

NEWS CONFIRMED.

PARIS, May 22.

The news that the Soviets have proclaimed Russian-Turkish Republic is confirmed.

LENIN'S FOREIGN POLICY.

M. Lenin, speaking here, outlined his foreign policy as follows: "Until the

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Share, Coal and General Produce
Brokers and Commission
Agents.PROPRIETORS
"To-Kwa-Wan" Coal Storage.Codes used:
Bentley's
A. S. C. 4th & 5th Editions.
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"MERRION" HONGKONG.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (on account of the concurrence),

S A T U R D A Y,
the 25th May, 1918, at 10.30 a.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Voeux Road, Corner of
Lee House Street.SUNDAY
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,
(Removed to Sales Room for Convenience
of Sale).including a quantity E.P. and Silver
Ware:-Viz. Cruets, Salt Cellars, Flower
Vases, Large Clock, Ornaments, Large
Vases, Photo Frames, Serviette Rings,
etc. &c.Two Saddles, Lady's and Gent's.
One Oliver Typewriter (as new)
AlsoPiano by Collard & Collard in splendid
condition.And
Pair Twin Brass Beds, Box and Hair
Mattresses.

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, May 20, 1918.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (on account of the concurrence),

T H U R S D A Y,
the 30th May, 1918, at 2.30 p.m.,
at No. 2, Kimberly Villas,
Top Floor, Kowloon.SUNDAY
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE,
therein contained.Consisting of:-
Teakwood Sideboard, Table, Chairs,
Settee and Card Table (specially made
and coloured to owner's design), up-
holstered Arm-chairs and Covers, Teak-
wood Twin Beds, Dressing Table, Chest-
of-drawers, Crockery and Glassware,
etc. &c.

Also

ICE CHEST, BATE, STOVE, &c., &c.,
And
BABY'S COT.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue).

On View from the 29th at 9 p.m.

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, May 18, 1918.

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THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED
(TAIWAN GIHO).INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL
CHARTER, 1906.Capital Subscribed ... Yen 30,000,000
Capital Paid-up 30,000,000
Reserve Fund 5,680,000HEAD OFFICE:
TAIPEH, FORMOSA.BRANCHES:
JAPAN—KOKI, OSAKA, TOKYO AND YOKO-
HAMA.
FORMOSA—AKO, OGIAM, KAOI, KARENKE,
KEELUNG, MADING, PIFAM, SHI-
CHENG, TAICHU, TAIYAN, TAIWAN,
TUMSIL.CHINA—AMoy, CANTON, FOOCHEW,
HANKOW, KUKEIANG, SHANGHAI,
SWATOW.OTHERS—BATAVIA, BORNEO, HONGKONG,
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Fixed Deposits, and Savings Deposits
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Manager.HONGKONG BRANCH:
3, Des Voeux Road,
Hongkong, May 1, 1918.

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AUCTION

PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the
lotting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on
MONDAY, the 27th day of May, 1918, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of
the Public Works Department, by Order of
His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of
CROWN LAND at Repulse Bay, in
the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75
years, with the option of renewal at a
Date to be fixed by the Surveyor of
His Majesty the King, for one further
term of 75 years.

Particulars of the Lot.

No.	Description	Boundary Measurements.		Dimensions	Surface	Depth	Condition
		N.	S.	E.	W.		
1	Repulse Bay	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.

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FOR SALE

GALESSEND, 100 THE PEAK,
6 Rooms.
Apply C. H. GALE,
P. W. D.
Hongkong, Mar. 23, 1918.

FOR SALE

553—LADY'S MUFF and CAPE
COLLARS of Real Fur Black
Skins; and two White Furs at \$10 each.
Apply from 12 to 7 p.m. Room 66,
King Edward Hotel.

FOR SALE

PEARL PIN-CRAVAT; Photo-appar-
Kodak-Cartridge No. 4 with Dopp-
Anast. Goerz. Apply from 12-7 p.m.
King Edward Hotel, Room 66.

FOR SALE

550—PEARL THREAD NECKLACE
and PEARL PIN-CRAVAT
Apply from 12 to 7 p.m. Room 66,
King Edward Hotel.

TO LET

FURNISHED FLAT in Queen's
Gardens, from 1st June.
Apply to
PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING.
Hongkong, May 16, 1918.

TO LET

NO. 1 CARNARVON ROAD, Kowloon,
N. well-built Two-Storey European
House, good Locality.

Apply to—

TU KAM HING,
C/o Messrs. JOHNSON, STOKES &
MASTER.
Hongkong, April 30, 1918.

TO LET

RESIDENTIAL FLAT in Prince's
Building.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, April 8, 1918.

TO LET

NO. 57 THE PEAK "LUSTLEIGH"
HOUSES on Shaeen, Canton.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

TO LET

IMMEDIATE ENTRY, four very
desirable SHOPS situated in 100
House Street, opposite the Grand Hotel,
recently reconstructed.For rent and other particulars apply
to the Manager, Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.
5 Connaught Road Central.

Apply to—

HUMPHREY'S ESTATE & FINANCE
CO., LTD.
Alexandra Building,
Hongkong, August 18, 1917.

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A FLAT in Nathan Road, Kowloon.
Four roomed houses in Kowloon.

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To-day's Advertisements

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

DURING my Absence from the Colony Mr. JAMES W. GRAHAM will act as Chief Manager.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 22, 1918. 448

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer "KWAISANG," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and extra hazardous Goods Quays at the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves and Godowns Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 28th inst. at 5 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined. Claims against the Steamer must be presented in writing within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers.

Hongkong, May 22, 1918. 448

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A Consignment of
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Panama-Pacific
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SCIENTIFIC EYE EXAMINATION
All sorts of
Frames, Lenses, and Protection glasses.

THE CALENDAR.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY

9.15 p.m.—Frawley Co. at the Theatre Play: "The House of Glass."

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Noon—Union Insurance Society of Anton, Ltd., Yearly Meeting.

12.30 p.m.—China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Yearly Meeting.

12.45 p.m.—British Traders Insurance Co., Ltd., Yearly Meeting.

8.15 p.m.—Frawley Co. at the Theatre Royal, Play: "The Boomerang".

GENERAL MEMORANDA.

FRIDAY, May 24.—

Empire Day.

9.15 p.m.—Frawley Co. at the Theatre Play: "The House of Glass."

MONDAY, May 27.—

3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at P.W.D.

TUESDAY, May 28.—

Noon—Star Ferry Co. meeting.

FRIDAY, May 31.—

5.30 p.m.—Extraordinary General Meeting of Members of Hongkong Club.

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maintain their neutrality in the war. Prophecy as to the duration of the war is a profitless task. The only thing certain is that when peace comes it will not be "a German peace," but a peace which will "make the world safe for Democracy."

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mrs. Holyoak and daughters left the Colony to-day to spend the summer in California.

The following final dividends in Rubber Companies have been announced from London:—Kepong 15 per cent., Ayer Kuning 15, Pataing 150, and Gedong 10. Kuala Lumpur pays an interim of 10 per cent.

The death is announced of Mr. Malcolm Cumming, who was some years ago one of the best known planters in the Malay States. For some years past he had resided in Sussex, and since the war he had held a staff appointment in motor transport work in France.

EMPIRE DAY COMMEMORATION SERVICES.

We are informed by Mr. E. Ralphs, Inspector of English Schools, that a short commemoration service will be held at St. John's Cathedral on Empire Day (Friday next) at 9 a.m. when a sermon will be preached by the Venetian Archdeacon Barnett.

The service is intended primarily for the British children of the Colony, for whom the nave and both transepts will be reserved. The general public will be accommodated in the nave aisles.

A Government launch, available for Kowloon children, will leave the Kowloon Pier at 8.30 a.m. sharp, and will leave Blake Pier on the return journey immediately after the service.

There will also be a service at the Roman Catholic Cathedral. His Lordship Bishop Pizzoni officiating.

LAWN TENNIS.

An interesting match was played in the H.K.C.C. tournament yesterday between Ng Sze Kwon and M. Lo in the Open Championship Singles. The first set was very evenly contested and finally went to Ng Sze Kwon by 4/6. The next two sets were also taken by him by 6/2 and 6/1. Ng Sze Kwon is a very fine player and the chances are in favour of his capturing the Championship this year.

The other match was between J. S. Jennings and Major Ardoino (owes 4/6) versus C. C. Starkie and F. E. Jolstrand (scratch), in the Handicap Doubles. The former pair won by 6/4, 5/7 and 6/4.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

The following matches have been arranged for to-day:—

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.

S. E. Green plays M. W. Lo.

HANDICAP SINGLES "A."

N. E. Kent (owes 3/6) plays A. Morse (recs. 4-6).

HANDICAP DOUBLES.

H. A. Neisbit and Major Hammond (owes 15) play E. R. Thomas and G. S. Archibutt (recs. 5-6).

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO 30TH APRIL, 1918.

No.	Applications.	Amount.
November 1916	237	\$427,769
December	144	283,040
January 1917	102	243,970
February	203	331,750
March	322	246,770
April	142	314,660
May	114	264,760
June	74	159,440
July	111	152,470
August	117	133,340
September	110	185,970
October	134	201,710
November	428	175,640
December	268	140,520
January 1918	203	735,120
February	209	1,200,840
March	123	774,710
	3,306	\$8,107,339

ANALYSIS.

State	Applica-	Subscri-	Amount.
Selangor	912	395	\$2,763,820
Perak	575	351	714,400
Heri Sambian	179	88	243,470
Palang	165	82	93,420
China	289	183	1,984,440
Strait Settle-			
ments	564	237	602,900
Siam	140	100	83,600
Malaya	15	18	12,000
Miscellaneous	144	94	164,780
	2,006	1,023	\$8,107,339

WAR LOANS INVESTMENT TRUST OF MALAYA.

The key of the Bernstorff code for conducting a treasonous spy and sabotage campaign against America before it entered the war has been deciphered from over a thousand messages after a year's work.

War Loan Investment Trust of Malaya.

H. O. WOODBOFEE
Secretary.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

REPORTED TERMS OF THE MILITARY AGREEMENT.

A telegram to our contemporary the "China Mail" gives the following as the terms of the Sino-Japanese Agreement:—

I.—That China and Japan will co-operate militarily to maintain peace in the Far East.

II.—In this co-operation the contracting parties will respect each other's position, interests and equality.

III.—When military movements commence each shall give instructions to its military and civil officials to co-operate within the area of co-operation. China shall assist Japan, while Japan will respect the sovereignty of China.

IV.—Japan shall evacuate Chinese territory at the close of the war.

V.—When necessary both parties shall co-operate in despatching soldiers.

VI.—The fighting areas and duties shall be decided at the time in accordance with the capabilities of each party.

VII.—During actual military operations each shall assist the other.

(a) In transporting military supplies and in establishing communications;

(b) Military movements to be decided by the commanders of the respective countries;

(c) Each shall assist the other in obtaining military supplies;

(d) Each shall assist the other in military sanitation;

(e) The military officers of the respective countries shall assist each other generally and with engineers particularly, when necessary;

(f) Each should lend the other maps of military zones.

VIII.—The Chinese Eastern Railway shall be used for military transports, while at the same time the original regulations of the railway governing transportation shall be respected.

IX.—Each country shall appoint officials to see that the above Articles are carried out.

X.—Both countries agree not to publish the Agreement, treating the same as a military secret.

XI.—The agreement shall be effective from the date of ratification by both Governments, and the time for actual military operations shall be decided jointly by the military organisations of both countries. This agreement is to be considered terminated at the close of the war.

XII.—This Agreement is made in the Chinese and Japanese languages.

XIII.—The case in which Sare Dia, a Javanese, is charged with the murder of Mohamed Batcho on April 18, at Wanchai, was resumed this morning.

After Counsel had addressed the jury, His Lordship summed up and after an absence of seven minutes, the jury returned with a verdict of guilty.

His Lordship then formally passed sentence of death.

RETURNED BANISHEES.

Chu Kong was charged with disobedience of an order of banishment.

Accused pleaded guilty.

The Crown Solicitor said the accused was arrested on April 29 in Kowloon in connection with another charge. He had previously been banished for life on two occasions and had twice returned. He had been also sentenced to six months' hard labour for larceny.

Asked if he had anything to say accused said he had no money or friends in Canton, so he came back.

His Lordship sentenced accused to two years' hard labour.

Chan Shing also pleaded guilty to a similar charge.

The Crown Solicitor said accused had been banished three times, but had disregarded each order.

His Lordship sentenced accused to three years' hard labour.

PROTEST AGAINST DOWRY FOR BRIDES.

Lord Knutsford's protest against a dowry for brides, and his suggestion that a bonus for babies would be a better thing in the interest of the

TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

TRIAL OF EX-TSAR
ORDERED BY BOLSHEVIK
COMMISSION.

PETROGRAD, May 20.
It is announced from Moscow that the Bolshevik Commission, presided over by Ensign Krylinko, has ordered the trial of the ex-Tsar. The charges include causing the coup d'etat of changing the Electoral Law of the Duma, and illegally disbursing public funds.

An escort of Lettish Rifles is being sent to Tobolsk to bring the ex-Tsar to Moscow.

[A recent announcement by the Soviet authorities stated that the Tsar, Tsarina and one daughter had been transferred to Ekaterinburg owing to the alleged efforts of peasants and monarchists in the neighbourhood of Tobolsk to promote their escape.]

ANARCHIST MOVEMENT AT
MOSCOW SUPPRESSED.

PETROGRAD, May 20.
It is officially announced that the anarchist movement at Moscow has been completely suppressed. Eighty anarchist organisations have been dissolved and over 500 anarchists arrested. Order has been re-established after severe gunfire, causing important damage.

AUSTRIAN EMPEROR AND EMPRESS
IN CONSTANTINOPLE.

AMSTERDAM, May 20.
The Emperor and Empress of Austria have arrived at Constantinople.

THE AFTER CARE OF
DISABLED MEN.HOW TO ALLEVIATE THEIR
SUFFERINGS.CONFERENCE OPENED BY
DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

LONDON, May 20.
The Inter-Allied Conference on the after care of disabled soldiers and sailors has opened at London. The delegates present came from England, Belgium, France, Italy, Portugal, Serbia, the United States, Siam, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and India.

Mr. John Hodge, Minister of Pensions, presided.

The Duke of Connaught, opening the Conference on behalf of His Majesty the King, said they were all united to bring light on the subject and discuss all that is new and scientifically possible to alleviate the sufferings and heal the wounds of the brave and gallant men who shed their blood for their home and country.

ARRESTS IN IRELAND.

ESTIMATED AT HUNDRED.

WHY THEY WERE MADE.

LONDON, May 20.
Correspondents at Dublin estimate that the arrests do not exceed 100, though the Times places the number at 150.

Some 70 were deported to England on Saturday night and immediately taken to a rest camp on arrival at Holyhead, though the Countess Markievicz was sent to London.

The Daily Telegraph's Lobby Correspondent states that the arrests were due to documents found on a man who was caught on the coast of Ireland in a collapsible boat, presumably, from a German submarine. He is now in the Tower.

PUBLICATION OF EVIDENCE
PROMISED.

LATER.

It is understood that evidence of complicity between the Sinn Fein leaders and the enemy is being prepared and will be published shortly.

LORD RHONDDA TO REMAIN FOOD
CONTROLLER.

LONDON, May 20.
It is understood that Lord Rhondda has consented to remain the Food Controller.

Claims, aggregating nearly \$6,000,000, are pending in the New York Courts against the Cunard Steamship Co. in connection with the loss of life and effects by the sinking of the *Lusitania*. The contention set up for the claimants is that negligence was shown.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

BRITISH LINE ADVANCED.

LONDON, May 19.
Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters reports:

Our line has been advanced over useful ground in the direction of Dernancourt. Considerable losses were inflicted on the Germans of whom 200 were taken prisoners.

MORE PRISONERS TAKEN.

LONDON, May 20.
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:

We took a few prisoners in a successful raid on May 19 in the Albert sector. We heavily repulsed an attempted enemy raid northward of Hinges.

Hostile artillery fire increased considerably during the night on the Albert-Hinges front.

SUCCESSFUL AUSTRALIAN
ENTERPRISE.

LONDON, May 20.
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:

A local operation at Villers-sur-Acre was completely successful, the Australians carrying the German positions in and around the village, of which they took possession, with 360 prisoners and 20 machine-guns. Our casualties were light.

We successfully raided a post south-westward of Matersart, inflicting casualties.

AERIAL ACTIVITY.

LONDON, May 20.
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:

Our aeroplane dropped off bombs on the railway stations at Coutrai, Valenciennes, Aulnoye, Roulers and Chaulnes and also on aerodromes, dumps and billets.

The majority of the air-fighting occurred well eastward of the front.

We brought down 21 and drove down two machines. Eight British machines are missing.

Flying was possible for only half the night owing to a thick mist, but 10 tons of bombs were dropped on the railway stations at Marcon, Haubourdin, Douai and Chaulnes, and on billets in the neighbourhoods of Bapaume and Bray, also on railway works and the lock-gates at Zeebrugge.

One of our machines has not returned.

THE FRENCH FRONT.

LONDON, May 20.
A French communiqué reports only intermittent artillery fire north and south of the Aire.

ENEMY TRENCHES PENETRATED.

LONDON, May 20.
A French communiqué states:

There was fairly lively artillery fire in the region of Haugard, south of the Aire.

Detachments penetrated as far as the enemy's third trench northwest of Rethen in the direction of Bermercourt, carried out much destruction and brought back prisoners and material.

AMERICANS IN NORTHERN
FRANCE.

COUNTRY THICKLY POPULATED
WITH TROOPS.

LONDON, May 20.
Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters states:

Parts of northern France have become almost suddenly thickly populated with American fighting troops. Great American training camps and depots have sprung up at spots where two months ago only British khaki was normally seen. The outstanding impression of the American organisation may be summed up in the word "Thoroughness."

One is conscious at every turn of the resolve of the "Sammies" to fight till victory is secured.

Intensified training is being tirelessly carried out in combination with the British and French.

Large formations are steadily being drafted to augment the Americans already in the fighting line and these are immediately replaced by still larger numbers.

AIR-RAID ON LONDON.

FOUR ENEMY MACHINES
BROUGHT DOWN.

LONDON, May 20.
The Press Bureau announces that hostile aircraft crossed the coast of Kent and Essex at 11 in the evening of Sunday, going towards London.

The raid is progressing.

LATER.

The Press Bureau states that four of the aeroplanes which raided London and the south-east on Sunday night were brought down.

The raid appears to have been on a large scale.

A considerable number of bombs were dropped.

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THE ITALIAN FRONT.

VALUABLE FRENCH CO-
OPERATION.

LONDON, May 20.

A French Eastern communiqué states: French and Italians carried out on May 18th to 17th a series of operations west of Koritsa, with the objects of reducing the very prominent salient forming the line of the enemy positions also of extending the Allied front to better advantage. All the objectives were attained despite very considerable difficulties owing to the nature of the ground in a mountainous and trackless region and the vigorous resistance of the enemy, who frequently counter-attacked.

Our advance reached a depth of twenty kilometres in the centre.

ENEMY COMPELLED TO RETIRE.

LATIN.

An Italian official message reports: There is considerable local fighting on the whole front.

We completely repulsed an attack on Mount Mantello, also in the Adamello district, where we compelled the enemy to retire, leaving a hundred dead and wounded.

We carried out several successful raids at various points.

TROOPS ADVANCING BEYOND
FIXED BOUNDARY.

LONDON, May 20.

A Russian wireless message states: The Germans in the Revel region violated the boundary fixed on March 6, and advanced eastwards despite protests from the Russian Commander.

The Foreign Commissary requested

the withdrawal of the troops.

A HUNNISH EXECUTION.

The White Guards at Helsingfors executed the Russian Fleet Commissary M. Jemtchujin on the pretext of his conducting a revolutionary campaign among German marines. The German Commander replied to the protests of the Russian Admiral that M. Jemtchujin had outlawed himself by inciting mutiny. Consequently his execution is exclusively a Hunnish affair.

GERMANS OCCUPY BJORKO.

PETROGRAD, May 17.

The Germans have occupied Bjorko on the Gulf of Finland, south of Viborg.

MUSSULMANS AND SOVIET
FORCES IN CONFLICT.

PETROGRAD, May 17.

The Soviet forces at Baku are in deadly conflict with the Musulmans.

A Moscow paper states that 2,000 were killed and 3,000 wounded.

Various parts of the town, including entire streets, and the Persian Bazaar, are burning.

GERMAN ADVANCE ON SOUTH
RUSSIA.

KURSK EVACUATED.

LONDON, May 20.

Indications that the Germans are still advancing in South Russia can be gathered from a Moscow message dated May 16, stating that the Russian evacuation of Kursk has begun. The railway traffic to this place is militarily supervised.

The Communist newspaper *Pravda* urges the speeding up of enlarged preparations for the removal of hostilities and says the Brestovka extracts is drawing to a close.

ATTEMPT TO FREE GREAT RUSSIA.

WHOLE POPULATION ARMED.

LONDON, May 20.

A Russian wireless message states that General Skoropadski is declared an impostor at various places in Ukraine.

He is regarded as a traitor. Almost the whole population is armed. Attempts to disarm them are resisted to the death.

Towns and villages are afire.

Everybody is endeavouring to free Great Russia. Guerrilla bands are being formed. Members of the Rada are regarded as traitors. Almost the whole population is armed. Attempts to disarm them are resisted to the death.

The Germans are everywhere appointing their own officials and exporting to Germany all the provisions they can seize.

EX-ROYAL RUSSIAN FAMILY
INTERRED.

MANUAL LABOUR AND
SOLDIERS' RATIONS.

STOCKHOLM, May 18.

A message from Berlin states that the Dowager Empress of Russia, the Grand Duke Nicholas and Peter Nicolaievitch have been interred in Crimea.

The Grand Duke do gardening and the Grand Duchesses Olga and Xenia housework.

Grand Duke Nicholas also teaches an infant school and all get soldiers' rations.

THE FRAWLEY COMPANY IN "THE
THIRTEENTH CHAIR."

AMSTERDAM, May 18.

A message from Vienna states that Count Burian has informed the newspaper *Arbeiderblatt* that the discussion at German Headquarters led to a complete understanding regarding the basis of the alliance, which has now become an imperative necessity in order to resist the terrible embrace of the common enemies.

The new alliance would be defensive and would show a united Austro-Germany, unbeatable.

DEATH OF WELL-KNOWN FRENCH
AIRMAN.

PARIS, May 19.

The famous aviator Gilbert has been killed in a flying accident.

COUNT PLUNKETT ARRESTED.

LONDON, May 20.

The Sinn Feiner, Count Plunkett, has been arrested.

FOUR DAYS OF CAPTIVITY.

LADIES' THRILLING EXPERIENCE.

Maifeng, May 19.

About two o'clock in the afternoon

4th April, when Miss Schmidt and her sister Mrs. Dixon were riding in a foreign wagon twelve li from Tientsin near the borders of Honan, Shantung and Kiangsu Provinces, two robbers armed with revolvers compelled the driver to stop.

They searched the wagon, taking what money and good clothes they could find in their suit cases, one quilt and a fine steamer rug and unstrung the best mule from the team. They then compelled the ladies to accompany them, hiring barrows for them at a near village. They told the ladies not to fear, that they would be free upon the payment of four thousand dollars ransom, which sum they later reduced to one thousand.

After dark they travelled over hills and through sandy river beds to a village where the barrowmen were disguised on the pretence of securing a cart, but after skulking about dark corners the ladies were hidden in a house with one bandit-watcher who bade them rest, which they did the best they could with one comfort and their wraps. Here they remained all the next day and till ten o'clock at night when a barrow was secured for Mrs. Dixon, and Miss Schmidt had to walk for four hours to another village. Reaching there at two o'clock Sunday morning a family was forced to open their gate and take them in at threat of being shot. Here they remained all the next day and till ten o'clock at night when a barrow was secured for them to walk for four hours to another village. Reaching there at two o'clock Sunday morning a family was forced to open their gate and take them in at threat of being shot. Here they remained all the next day and till ten o'clock at night when a barrow was secured for them to walk for four hours to another village. Reaching there at two o'clock Sunday morning a family was forced to open their gate and take them in at threat of being shot. Here they remained all the next day and till ten o'clock at night when a barrow was secured for them to walk for four hours to another village. Reaching there at two o'clock Sunday morning a family was forced to open their gate and take them in at threat of being shot. Here they remained all the next day and till ten o'clock at night when a barrow was secured for them to walk for four hours to another village. Reaching there at two o'clock Sunday morning a family was forced to open their gate and take them in at threat of being shot. Here they remained all the next day and till ten o'clock at night when a barrow was secured for them to walk for four hours to another village. Reaching there at two o'clock Sunday morning a family was forced to open their gate and take them in at threat of being shot. Here they remained all the next day and till ten o'clock at night when a barrow was secured for them to walk for four hours to another village. Reaching there at two o'clock Sunday morning a family was forced to open their gate and take them in at threat of being shot. Here they remained all the next day and till ten o'clock at night when a barrow was secured for them to walk for four hours to another village. Reaching there at two o'clock Sunday morning a family was forced to open their gate and take them in at threat of being shot. Here they remained all the next day and till ten o'clock at night when a barrow was secured for them to walk for four hours to another village. Reaching there at two o'clock Sunday morning a family was forced to open their gate and take them in at threat of being shot. Here they remained all the next day

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PETROGRAD A DESERT.

POPULATION FLOCKING FROM
DEAD CITY.

SILENCE AND SEITLED GLOOM.

For the last few months, writes Dr. Harold Williams in the "Daily Chronicle," "a muffled bell has been tolling in the whirlwind, and in the knell, one hears an echo of the grim prophecy of the Old Believers to Peter the Great: 'Peterburg will be a desert!'" Perhaps this is a mere fancy, perhaps after the catastrophe and the doings Petersburg will shine forth again in pride and glory, but to-day there is an inexplicable sadness in this once imperial city.

Most of the British colony have left,

and the few Englishmen who still remain

ask one another when and where they are

going. The Embassy is now occupied by

the Consulate, and if there is one word of

which the Consulate is utterly weary, it

is "passports." Petrograd is becoming

a desert.

The turbulent emotions of the year of

revolution are exhausted, the fever is

slackening, the pulse of life is very low.

And the depression, the foreboding, are

inarticulate. They cannot be summed up

as the dread of any definite calamity—as

the fear of the Germans, as fears of unrestrained anarchy. They are the

gloomiest because they are inarticulate,

because they come of a sense of emptiness,

of the ebbing away of life.

There has been a great exodus. The

Government is migrating to Moscow, and

has let fall hints that Moscow is to be

proclaimed the capital. The Council of

the People's Commissaries will have its

seat in the Kremlin; Lenin will sit in the

seat of the predecessors of Peter the

Great, and the Neva will be deserted.

The Ministries have nearly completed

their evacuation. Tons of goods have

been dispatched south and east, and

to-night or to-morrow night those mem-

bers of the Government who still remain

will leave for Moscow.

EXODUS FROM THE CITY.

Power is leaving Petrograd, and the

population, seized by vague alarm, has

been flocking out of the city. Day after

day a queue of many thousands waited

on the Nevsy for permits to leave the

city. Day after day overcrowded trains

moved off south and east, soldiers in the

front and dismissed workmen, and all

that miscellaneous mass of humanity that

is afraid of starvation, afraid of unemployment,

afraid of the invader and of unknown

calamities. Many thousands who

could not go by the trains went off on foot

through the snow, and many who had

ready money to spare hired sledges and

were driving off on a pilgrimage into the

depths of Russia.

Yet there was no noise, no outward

signs of panic. There was a strange hush

about it all, a sad and patient resignation

as though in the presence of unintelligible,

inevitable fate. And those who remain

go wandering about the streets, vaguely,

hopelessly asking for an explanation of a

life that has grown meaningless.

There are provisions; somehow, the

city still lives from hand to mouth with a

curious, sorely-harassed ingenuity. This

week the refrigerators were emptied and

the contents allotted among the popula-

tion as a parting gift so that for a few

days each family had extra allowances of

flour and dried vegetables and fed on

frozen goose. And supply trains still

come in irregularly and in dribs and

will, when they come.

SHOTS IN THE NIGHT.

The trains have no stores of fuel, but

from time to time they buy remnants

from factories that are closing down, and

so struggle along with interruptions. Half

the cabmen have gone home to their

villages, often selling their horses for

meat before they go, for horse-meat is

now a recognised article of diet, even in

many families that were once well-to-do.

And the horses that remain are dying.

Day after day one sees them fall in the

street, gathering round them a doleful

crowd of idle onlookers. They die and

their bodies lie in the snow unburied for

many days.

Most of the big theatres are deserted,

and it is the easiest thing in the world

to get tickets for the once crowded

opera.

In the night one hears shots, unintelli-

gible fusillades. A few nights ago there

was a ratline of rifles in my neighbour-

hood, and in the morning passers-by found

the bodies of six young men, stoned as

I afterwards discovered, shot heaven

knows why.

All goods, coaches and motor cars and

lorries have been requisitioned for the

evacuation, and their movements for the

last week have constituted almost the

sole traffic of this once great industrial

centre. And in the settled gloom there

is no place left for excitement, for fun,

for sudden dashes of fear or anger.

People talk and speculate, but they know

that their world is still, and that their

worries and indifference of loss and pain

HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Orders for Artillery Company by Capt. J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

Right and Left Half Companies. Duty at Belchers Battery as per Roster and Instructions posted in the Company's Office at Headquarters.

Orders for Engineers Company by Captain W. Russell.

Right to 24th May.—
R. L. MANNING NIGHTLY.
Parades as per rosters posted at Headquarters. Engine Drivers at 6.30 p.m. Electricians at 6.45 p.m.

OFFICERS NEXT FOR DUTY.

Belchers, Capt. W. Russell.
Lyneum, 2nd Lieut. Hill.
Stonecutters, 2nd Lieut. Brown.

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Class 3 at Lyneum at 8.30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays, under Staff Sergeant, Ormond and Parsons, R.E., Sergt. Day and Corp. Morris, H.K.D.C., at Belchers; and Staff Sergt. Barclay and White, H.E., and Sergt. Williams, H.K.D.C., at Lyneum.

Detail of duties at Lyneum from 17th to 21st instant is posted at Headquarters for information of all concerned.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

"A" Company.

Thursday, 23rd May.—5.30 p.m.—Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 Platoons on Polo Ground, Hongkong residents will parade at the Cricket Club at 5.10 p.m. and proceed by train to Causeway Bay. Company drill. Dress, drill order.

"B" Company.

Thursday, 23rd May.—5.30 p.m.—Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 Platoons on Polo Ground. Hongkong residents will parade at the Cricket Club at 5.10 p.m. and proceed by train to Causeway Bay. Company drill. Dress, drill order.

MACHINERY GUN COMPANY.

Thursday, 23rd May.—5.10 p.m.—Drill at Headquarters. The following men only need attend: Ptes. Field, Irvine, Labrum, A. C. D., Legan, C. R. Legan, McKersie and Stiperton.

Sunday, 26th June.—

Inter-Regiment competition for "Gau-cogne" Shield. Time and place will be notified later.

NOTIFIED SECTION.

Thursday, 23rd May.—5.30 p.m.—Drill at Jockey Club Stables. Dress, drill order without rifles.

SIGNALING SECTION.

Thursday, 23rd May.—5.30 p.m.—Parade at Headquarters. Dress, clean fatigue.

Note.—Titles (with boxes from front) and shoulder titles are to be brought to the parade on 21st May.

RESCUERS.

Thursday, 23rd May.—5.30 p.m.—All units except "D" Company at Headquarters under Sergt. Edmunds and Mende. Dress, drill order.

Orders for Cadet Company by 2nd Lieut. J. E. W. Beard.

STRENGTH.

Drummer Asgar is permitted to resign on leaving the Colony.

PARADES.

Friday, 24th May (Empire Day)—8.30 a.m.—Nos. 3 and 4 Sections fall in at Star Ferry, Kowloon.

8.30 a.m.—Nos. 1 and 2 Sections fall in at Star Ferry, Hongkong.

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G. E. STEWART, Captain.

Adjutant, H.K. Defence Corps.

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